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IN RE APPLICATION OF: William J. Curatolo, et al. :

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TITLE: METHOD OF INCREASING THE

BIOAVAILABILITY AND TISSUE PENETRATION OF AZITHROMYCIN

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The Examiner is requested to consider carefully the complete text of these references in connection with the examination of the above-identified application in accord with 37 C.F.R. § 1.104(a). It is believed the Examiner will concur with applicant's belief that the subject matter presently claimed is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the foregoing references.

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